

• POETRY

APPRECIATING THE DOG.

I've never known a dog to wag
His tail in grief he did not feel.
Nor quit his old-time friend he tag
At some more influential heel.
The yellowest cur I ever knew
Was, to the boy who loved him, true.

I've never known a dog to show
Halfway devotion to his friend,
To seek a kinder man to know,
Or riser, but under his hand
The humblest dog I ever knew
Was, to the man that loved him, true.

I've never known a dog to take

for a present
display of love to

Some little favor to attain.
I've been known a Prince or Spot
That seemed to be what he was not.
But I have known a dog to fight
With all his strength to shield his
friend,
And whether wrong or whether right;
To stick with him unto the end.
And I have known a dog to lick
The hand of him that men would kick
And I have known a dog to bear
Starvation's pangs from day to day
With him who would not share to share
His bread and meat along the way.
No dog, however mean or rude,
Is guilty of ingratitude.

is listed with the
he has he to spe

His messages to humans come
 By the stars and the moon and the deed.
 He shows, as seldom mortals do,
 A life that is being true.
 —Edgar A. Guest, in the Detroit Free
 Press.

THOUGHT NUGGET FOR THE DAY

A commonplace life, we say, and we
 sigh;
 But should we sigh as we say?
 The commonplace sun in the common-
 place sky
 Makes a life commonplace day,
 The moon and the stars are common-
 place things;
 The flower that blooms and the bird
 that sings;
 But the world and dark ones
 lot.
 If the dowers faded and the sun
 shone not,
 And God, who sees each separate soul,
 Our commonplace lives makes his
 beautiful whole.

—Susan Coolidge.

HUMOR OF THE DAY

acher—Who

"Dear me, these Boston streets seem to get more mixed up every time I come," said the polite patrolman. "I assure you we don't shuffle 'em."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

ther—Do you

matrimonial intentions, dear?"

The maid—I certainly do, mother.

He tried to convince me last night that I should appear to better advantage at that \$13 hat than in the \$50 one. Puck.

Jinks—Billings surely likes to put on airs.

Billings—What's he doing now?

Jinks—Oh, he fills a gasoline tank with water and carries it home in full sight of the neighbors every night.—Cornell Widow.

"You have been accused of being a prevaricator."

"Well," replied Senator Sorghum, "that sounds hopeful. The fact that they selected so delicate a word indicates that I am really a friend of me."—Washington Star.

A young woman came in quite hurriedly after the concert had begun.

missed much?
they playing
with Stephanie?

"Oh, the Ninth symphony."
 "Oh, goodness, man. I really as late as that."—New York Times.

"My daughter has obtained a position in a lawyer's office. She starts on the first."
 "And in the meantime she is doing nothing for it herself for the work?"
 "Yes, she is reading 'Bertha the Beautiful Blonde Stenographer.'"
 "—Louisville Courier-Journal.

"What broke up the peace conference?"
 "Oh, a couple of the delegates got into a fight."—Jude.

"Bacon—They say in some countries they eat giraffes."
 "—Louisville Courier-Journal.

"Guns: Think of getting the neck!—Yonkers Statesman.

THE KALEIDOSCOPE

Missouri last year produced 126,624 tons of lead.

Sweden during the last five years has consumed 1,126,000 tons of bread yearly.

He was fined \$
per day for bea

Sugar cane in Cuba, set out in virgin land, may be cue for thirty years without replanting.

Philadelphia has \$1,055,000 in delinquent 1915 taxes on its roll, which called for \$15,000,000 in that year.

Harrison Walton, aged 74, of Philadelphia, has completed fifty years of service, as a rubber school teacher.

"sings" because

The water escapes by fits and starts and so makes the "singing" noise.

The American Racing union has offered the United States government 50,000 homing pigeons for army use.

Silk manufacturers in Japan are now making \$350 a first time, orders from the United States for silk neckwear.

President Poincaré of France has made a collection of photographs of English soldiers who have won the Victoria Cross.

In Ceylon the largest pearls are worth \$250 and \$350 in Europe and America they sell at more than three times this price.

Numerous economies are asserted for a new automobile that can be run by gas or electricity, or a combination of the two.

The chief American article sold in China is kerosene. The value of this single product exceeds all other American imports combined.

Aztec corn 1,000 years old was recently planted in Kansas. It grew

will be at a pre

To keep a sleeping child covered a woman has invented a combination garment and blanket, the former being buttoned about the body of its user.

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